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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

Docket No: A8647/ST9-99-115

Terry Michael BLEIZEFFER, *et al.*

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Examiner: Greta Lee ROBINSON

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR FILTERING QUERY STATEMENTS FROM
MULTIPLE PLANS AND PACKAGES ACCORDING TO USER-DEFINED FILTERS
OF QUERY EXPLAIN DATA

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 17, 2004, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

These remarks, submitted in response to the Office Action dated December 17, 2003, are believed to be fully responsive to each point of rejection raised therein. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-41 are pending in the present application. Claims 15-27 and 29-41 have been objected to, but appear allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claims 1-13 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claims 1, 14, and 28 have been rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being